



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Caregiving is everybody's business" ~ Rose Nakamura

July 3, 2013

Switchyard Property Cleanup – July 20

Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a cleanup at the switchyard property from 1 to 3 p.m. on Sat. July 20. You and your friends, group, co-workers or club can be a vital part of the effort to make the switchyard a more attractive place! With your help, over the next several years the switchyard property will transform from an abandoned railroad hub into a beautiful community park. Minimum age is 16 or 12 if with an adult. Click here to sign up: <http://bit.ly/14JLCMK> or contact Kim Ecenbarger at ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov or (812) 349-3739. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

Salvation Army gets ready for Back to School - Aug. 1

Back to School volunteers help prepare Monroe County students for the upcoming school year by distributing donated school supplies. On Thurs. August 1, volunteers are needed at Sherwood Oaks Christian Church to help with registration, assist parents with selecting age-appropriate supplies, and help them carry items to their cars as needed. Volunteer shifts are from 7:30-9:45 a.m. or from 9:30 a.m.-noon. Minimum age is 14, but all ages are welcome if with an adult. For more information, contact Monica Clemons at (812) 336-4310 ext. 100 or monica_clemons@usc.salvationarmy.org. (www.bloomington.salvationarmyindiana.org)

Board of Directors for Spencer Pride

Spencer Pride, Inc. organizes the only Pride Festival in south central Indiana and also hosts a major educational event during Gay History Month each year. The Board of Directors is currently expanding and seeking candidates with strong financial backgrounds. Your presence would not be required at every meeting, as they take advantage of technology to expedite their business whenever possible. Minimum age is 21. Please contact Judi Epp at (317) 345-4729 or secretary@spencerpride.org. (www.SpencerPride.org)

Open Garden Hours for Food Bank at Will Detmer Park

Hoosier Hills Food Bank is recruiting gardening volunteers for their garden at Will Detmer Park, the new Monroe County park on Vernal Pike. Join them to learn about organic gardening and to gain hands-on experience! Both novices and experienced gardeners are welcome. Minimum age is 14; there is no age limit if with an adult. Email Katie at volunteer@hhfoodbank.org to sign up or contact Emily at garden@hhfoodbank.org or 812-334-8374 for more details. (www.hhfoodbank.org)

Habitat for Humanity Saturday Site Host

Habitat for Humanity is looking for organized, friendly volunteers with an interest or background in event planning or volunteer management to work as Site Hosts for Saturday construction crews. Site Hosts help with morning sign in, set up first aid stations, work with food donors and set up for morning snack and lunch. Site Hosts are needed from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Saturday. Site Hosts are welcome to volunteer in pairs, so bring a friend! Minimum age is 16 or 15 if with an adult. Please contact Sarah Rosenbaum at (812) 331-4069 ext. 2 or volunteers@monroecountyhabitat.org. (www.monroecountyhabitat.org)

Community Wish List Spotlight

My Sister's Closet of Monroe County

Provides free workforce attire to women seeking self-sufficiency through employment and affordably priced casual and workforce attire to the general public. Also free Success Institute seminars to men & women. To grant a wish, contact Laura Robinson at robinslj@indiana.edu or (812) 327-3581 (404 W. 2nd St.; www.sisterscloset.org)

Wishes: Any color strand Christmas lights, men's ties, postage stamps, grocery and gas gift cards, pink copy paper and card stock, cleaning wipes, track lighting for store, 30-gallon and tall garbage bags, shelving for back room, pink plastic sacks

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

